



Minnesota's 4th District **E-Report!**

Congresswoman Betty McCollum

"Serving Minnesota's Families"



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Hot News!

Jubilee of Liberty Medal Ceremony

The government of France awards the Jubilee of Liberty Medal in appreciation of American Soldiers who served in France during the World War II invasion of Normandy. The medal commemorates the 50th Anniversary of the D-Day invasion, also known as Operation Overlord. It began on June 6, 1944, and ended on August 31, 1944 and is considered to be the greatest sea borne invasion ever.

The medals were originally presented in Normandy at a ceremony on the 50th anniversary of the invasion, but many American veterans were unable to make the trip. A U.S. company offered to mint the medals to make them available for those veterans unable to attend.

Rep. Betty McCollum had the great privilege of honoring 15 heroes from Minnesota's 4th District who fought at Normandy during WWII. The emotional ceremony at the Minnesota State Capitol celebrated the courageous acts of many brave Americans that answered the call to serve in the allied forces during WWII.

Betty's Meetings This Week

Safe Kids Camp - Kaposia Park in South St. Paul is the site of a weeklong camp where kids are taught crime and fire prevention as well as safety tips. The Ladies Auxiliary and VFW Post volunteer at the camp.



St. Paul Chamber of Commerce - Rep. McCollum met with a group of St. Paul business leaders to discuss pressing issues such as tax cuts, trade promotion, corporate responsibility and budget appropriations.

"Pic" of the Week



World War II Veterans look on at the Minnesota State Capitol Rotunda, as Rep. McCollum announces the 15 Jubilee of Liberty Medal recipients.

In Betty's Words

"I have had the opportunity to work with Habitat for Humanity and Women Build in the past and it is one of the most rewarding experiences. Knowing that we contributed to a project that will provide shelter for a family is an amazing feeling. I am so proud that the young women from my staff volunteered their time today to support this great cause."

--August 16, 2002 - Habitat for Humanity - Women Build

Upcoming Events

HealthCare Professions Shortage Panel Discussion;
Tuesday August 20
Affordable Housing Roundtable;
Wednesday August 21
Tour of Land-O-Lakes;
Friday August 23

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